

# Boston's Fate To Be Decided

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The next 30 days should decide the fate of Boston in the 1954 American League race. Will the Red Sox bloom in June, or are they doomed to second division?

After a horrible spring of injuries and bad weather forced Lou Boudreau to go with a make-do lineup that didn't, the new month finds the Red Sox settling in for an 18-game home stand in friendly Fenway Park.

They own a three-game winning streak for the first time this season. They've gotten route-going performances from their pitchers in two of their last three contests. And Ted Williams is due to start bustin' out all over after being back in action for two weeks.

If the Red Sox can't move now there isn't much hope they will after the midway point since the first division teams already have a good jump. Boston is 11 1/2 games out of first place.

Boston was the only club in either league to sweep a Memorial Day double-header yesterday. They buried Philadelphia 29-10 in the highest scoring display of the league season, then mopped up 9-0 in the nightcap.

### GAME AHEAD

The Cleveland Indians played a game ahead of the Chicago White Sox in first place by whipping the White Sox 6-3 on Jim Hegan's eighth-inning home run after losing 6-4 as Bob Keegan posted his seventh victory in eight decisions.

Washington's Senators, who cause the New York Yankees more trouble than an investigating committee, beat the world champions 1-0 on Johnny Schmitz' three-hitter. Then they pushed the second game into extra innings before bowing 7-6 in 1.0 Spec Shea forced home the winning run with a bases-loaded walk.

Detroit rallied in the ninth for a 7-5 victory at Baltimore, then lost 4-2 to the Orioles.

In the National League, rain washed out Cincinnati's double-header with the first-place Milwaukee Braves and cut the Chicago-St. Louis twin bill to a single seven-inning contest won by the Cubs 14-0 on six home runs, two by Hank Sauer.

Brooklyn beat Philadelphia 5-4 on G.D. Hodges' 12th-inning home run in a single game. Pittsburgh split with the New York Giants, winning 4-3 after losing on three hits to Ruben Gomez 4-0.

The only significant shift in the standings came in the American League. Boston moved from seventh to sixth and Baltimore from eighth to seventh as Philadelphia dropped to last.

The Red Sox' big day included 27 hits, five of them home runs. Milt Bolling hit two, Williams, Jim Piersall and Harry Agganis got one each.

Bill Henry scattered seven hits in the second-game shutout, his third complete game of the year. A bunt, an error, an infield out and Mickey Vernon's single produced the one run. Washington needed to beat New York in the opener. Casey Stengel argued the bunt hit batter Eddie Yost's cap and got tossed out of the game for his vigorous protests.

**OUT HIT**  
Baltimore outdid Detroit 14-9 in the first game but left 15 runners stranded. Three runs in the ninth gave the Tigers the decision. In the nightcap Vern Stephens' homers and triples by Jim Fritchley and Sam Melo helped counteract 11 strikeouts by the Tigers' Billy Hoelt.

The White Sox ended Cleveland's 14-game home winning streak in the curtain raiser with the help of two-run homers by Minnie Minoso and Ferris Fain. Hezari's home run broke a 3-3 tie in the seventh game and the Indians added two more in the same inning.

Ahead 3-1, the Dodgers suddenly found themselves trailing by one run in the eighth at Philadelphia when Smoky Burgess smashed a pinch-hit home run with two aboard. Brooklyn tied it in the ninth after George Shuba doubled,

The Phils threatened in the 12th after Hodges had given Brooklyn the lead, putting two aboard after two out. But Duke Snider raged up the center field wall and hauled down Willie Jones' tremendous drive for the final out.

Willie Mays of the Giants continued his hitting spree with his 14th home run in the first game at Pittsburgh. The lovely Pirates hopped on Hoyt Wilhelm for four runs in the ninth inning of the second game for the two runs they needed to gain the split.

## Tulelake Whips Eldorado

Errors and home run hitting pitchers continued to make life miserable for the Eldorado Lumberjacks yesterday afternoon as Tulelake whipped the home standing Klamath nine by 10-4 score.

The Eldorado team was guilty of nine errors and Tulelake's pitcher Dave Johnson connected for two round trippers to give the Northern California league representatives the win.

Tule scored twice in the opening inning on two base on balls and a double by Fred Taylor along with two Klamath errors. Three more Tulelake tallies came in the fourth on an error, a single and Johnson's first home run over the right field fence.

The Californian finished their scoring with one run in the seventh three in the eighth and one more in the ninth frame.

Eldorado accounted for one run on Don Dexter's long home run to deep center field in the first inning and then scored once more in the third, when pitcher Dick Lundsten singled and Dexter doubled him home.

Three singles by Dexter, Art Raymond and Fran Miller gave the Lumberjacks one run in the fifth, and the final Klamath score followed in the sixth on Ron Owings' single and two Tulelake errors.

Dexter and Owings paced the Eldorado diamond men at the plate with four for five and two for three respectively. Raymond and Miller contributed two for four and two for five also.

For Tulelake, Taylor connected for three hits in his first three times at bat to give him a three for six day at the plate.

Next Sunday afternoon the Lumberjacks play host to the league leading Alturas nine at Recreation Park.

BOXSCORE: R H E  
Tulelake 10 9 4  
Lumberjacks 4 10 9  
Johnson and Johnson; Lundsten and Owings.

## Avila, Musial Lead Major League Hitters

NEW YORK (AP)—The steady hitting of Bobby Avila has been one of the prime factors in the success of the first place Cleveland Indians this season. The Mexican second baseman's sizzling stickwork gives him the top spot in the American League batting race with a .388 average, 27 points ahead of teammate Al Rosen.

Avila, boosted his average six points last week. He collected 12 hits in 29 trips, including five doubles and a homer.

Runnerup Rosen is batting .361 and is the league leader in both some runs with 13 and RBI's with 49. Rookie Bill Tuttle of the Tigers ranks third at .341. Figures include Monday's game.

The National League hitting race is nip and tuck with Stan Musial of the Cardinals holding a one-point edge over teammate Ray Jablonski. Musial, seeking his seventh batting title, gained 15 points and is swinging at a .374 clip. Jablonski, last week's race-setter, has a .373 mark and Don Mueller of the Giants is third at .365.

Musial has the most runs batted in, 52, while Hank Sauer of the Cubs leads the home run department with 16.

## H'wood Pitcher Tops PCL Hurlers

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Right-hander Mel Queen is one of the important reasons Hollywood is setting the pace in the Pacific Coast League baseball race. He was the leading hurler of the circuit through Sunday with 11 wins against one defeat to average .917.

Other regulars headed up departments as follows:  
Most strikeouts, Joe Hatten, Los Angeles, and Don Ferrarese, Oakland, 68 each.  
Most innings pitched, Eddie Ervatt, San Diego, 114.4.  
Most bases on balls, Ferrarese, 62.  
Most losses, Al Cicotte, Sacramento and Gene Bearden, Seattle, each 7.

Averages through May 30:  
G B SO W L  
Daley, Sac 3 6 9 2 0  
T. Smith, SD 6 2 8 1 0  
Hude, LA 7 1 5 1 0  
White, Oak 6 4 3 1 0  
Cok, Hwd 13 20 55 11 0  
Queen, Hwd 12 17 26 6 1  
Munger, Hwd 11 11 28 5 1  
Donoso, Hwd 11 11 28 5 1  
Candini, Sac 15 16 18 4 1  
Gottel, Oak 13 26 43 2 2  
Hiller, SF 6 9 12 3 1  
W. Evans, Sea 7 19 17 3 1  
Schallock, Oak 4 5 7 3 1  
Pieretti, Sac 12 24 46 7 3

### TIME OUT



"Maybe the skipper does pamper him, but the kid's terrific and it stopped his slobberin' about 'win-in' he was back on the farm!"

## Spokane Moves Up In WI Race

The Spokane Indians reaped the most benefits from Memorial Day doubleheaders in the Western International Baseball League Monday.

While other teams split, Spokane beat Salem 6-5 and 14-6 and vaulted over Tri-City into sixth place in the standings.

Tri-City whipped Lewiston 4-2 in the nightcap of a twin bill after bowing 13-4 in the opener. Yakima clipped Wenatchee 9-2, then took a 12-6 drubbing.

Rain idled Vancouver at Edmonton and Victoria at Calgary. It took Spokane 10 innings to subdue Salem in the opener in the Senators' home park. Bob Donkersley tripled home the winning run in the top of the 10th. The Indians reached three Salem pitchers for 18 hits in the nightcap. Dick Aubertin and John Trautwein teamed in a six-hit effort for the winners. The double loss dropped Salem into ninth place.

At Yakima, the Bears pounded out six straight singles in the sixth inning of the first game producing four runs that led the game. Wenatchee had two big innings in winning the afterpiece. The Chiefs combined four singles, a double and a walk for five runs in the second and added five in the sixth on a double, a single, two walks and Tony Munoz' grand slam homer.

The Lewiston Broncs scored nine runs in the first inning and coasted to their first-game victory over Tri-City. In the nightcap, Dale Bloom won a pitcher's battle with Grumpy Guy Fletcher, former Pacific Coast League ace. Bloom gave up seven hits and Fletcher nine as Tri-City evened the series at a win apiece.

The linescores:  
First game  
Spokane 020 000 030 1-6 11 0  
Salem 009 102 110 0-5 12 0  
Wlaneski, Lawson (7), Aubertin (7), Closs (8) and Dean; Roenspie, Rayle (8) and Ogden.  
Second game  
Spokane 105 002 033-14 18 4  
Salem 001 230 000-6 6 3  
Trautwein, Aubertin (4), Lawson (5) and Dean; Johnson, McFarlane (3), Scrivens (8) and Ogden.

First game  
Wenatchee 200 000 000-2 7 2  
Yakima 200 004 03x-9 14 1  
Waters and Jenney; Carmichael and Summers.  
Second game  
Wenatchee 150 005 1-12 13 0  
Yakima 330 000 0-6 9 3  
Shandor, Thompson (6) and Jenney; Young, Machado (2) and Summers.

First game  
Lewiston 450 013 0-13 16 2  
Tri-City 010 001 0-2 6 1  
Dergance and Garay; Coggin, Lemieux (1) and Warren, Johnson (4).  
Second game  
Lewiston 002 000 000-2 7 3  
Tri-City 111 000 10x-4 9 0  
Fletcher and Garay; Bloom and Johnson.

Vancouver at Edmonton, rain  
Victoria at Calgary, rain

### BIG CATCHES

BOCA RATON, Fla. (AP)—Two New York women, who never had been deep sea fishing previously, caught giant sailfish on the same day. They were in separate boats.

Miss Ingrid Kildegaard landed an 8 foot 2 inch sailfish weighing 76 pounds while her friend, Mrs. Max Phillips, hooked a 7 foot 2 inch weighing 42 pounds.

Miss Kildegaard's sailfish was the largest caught at Boca Raton this year.

# Device Brings Mile Mark Closer

ATHENS, O. (NEA)—Jim Johnson may have a device to help those seeking to beat Roger Bannister's 3:59.4 mile.

Ohio University's track coach has constructed what he calls an electrical timer and pace-setter which appears to be a boon to both runners and spectators.

The mechanism, resembling a number wheel common to any carnival midway, is equipped with a sweep hand, flashing light, bells and a revolving disc. The whole thing looks like the latest nursery toy.

But a careful explanation reveals that the innovation may become the biggest asset to a runner since the introduction of spiked shoes.

"It eliminates a coach's clock-watching," informs Johnson. "You can plan the race with the runner beforehand, set the mechanism—and the runner and the clock are on their own."



PACE SETTER . . . Jim Johnson's clock puts the runner on his own.

## Matthews, Cockell In Scrap

LONDON (AP)—Harry Matthews of Seattle tackles Don Cockell, heavyweight champion of Britain, tonight in a 10-rounder with a possible shot at the world title.

The tubby Briton who is ranked third among the world contenders for Rocky Marciano's crown, is rated a 4-7 favorite and that has him worried.

"They'll expect too much," he complained. "I'm happier when they call me the underdog. It makes me more determined to go in and win."

Most British sports writers have made Cockell their firm choice and the widely read Boxing News commented:

"The outcome of this fight will elevate the victor into such prominence that he cannot possibly be denied the right to style himself a logical contender for the world championship."

Cockell jumped into a contender's spot when he defeated Roland La Starza in London March 30.

"The odds don't bother Matthews. 'I take no notice of odds,' he said. 'I've been boxing too long to let that worry me. I'm perfectly fit and full of confidence.'"

## Scotch Golfer Found Guilty

STEVENSTON, Scotland (AP)—Golfer Thomas Bell was found guilty Monday of holding out 18 times at the Ardeer course with a spade instead of a putter.

Malicious damage, the law called it.

Witnesses said Bell was suspended from the club for ungentlemanly conduct of a nature not brought out in the testimony.

That night he sneaked on to the links and dug up every one of the greens, removing and hiding the metal cups for good measure.

The judge fined him 19 pounds (\$28.00) and he's still persona non grata at Ardeer.

## BOWLING SCORES

SUMMER LEAGUES  
Summer League bowling action gets underway tonight with the Mixed Doubles leagues rolling at 7 and 8 o'clock on the Lucky Lanes alleys.

Starting tomorrow night, the Men's Trio League will begin its summer action of league play at 8 o'clock. Thursday evening the Women's Trio League will get its league into action; they also will start bowling at 8 o'clock.

The Moose Mixed Doubles will hit the alley warfare trail every Friday night through out the summer bowling season.

Lucky Lanes has scheduled a Classic Singles Tournament for June 5-6 and 12-13.

C. E. (Sarge) Moss manager of the local bowling alley stressed that the alleys are open every afternoon from 1 o'clock in the afternoon until 1 o'clock in the morning.

NEW YORK (AP)—Eddie Yost, Washington's "Iron Pony," will play in his 700th consecutive game tomorrow night in Detroit.

Not since Lou Gehrig, baseball's "Iron Horse," ended his incredible streak of 2,130 games in 1939 has any major league player been able to roll up as many as 700 games in a row.

## Eddie Yost To Play 700 Straight

MONDAY'S FIGHTS  
BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
NEW YORK — Lulu Perez, 127, Brooklyn, outpointed Mickey Mars, 127, Cleveland, 127, 10.

BROOKLYN — Jackie Labus, 160 1/2, East Meadows, N.Y., outpointed Jacques Royer, 163, France, 10.

NEW ORLEANS — Joe Dorsey, 162, New Orleans, stopped Stan Jordan, 137 1/2, Los Angeles, 10.

MONTREAL — Paolo Melis, 150 1/2, Italy, stopped Emerson Butcher, 146, Rock Island, Ill., 6.

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